Chapter 3. Lynching and the White Rabbit

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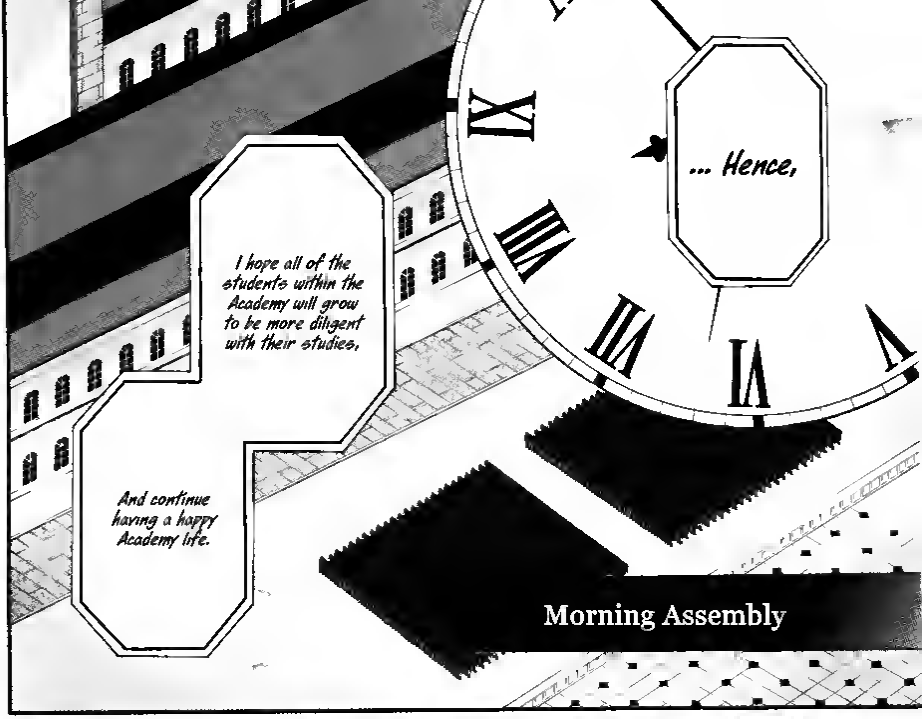
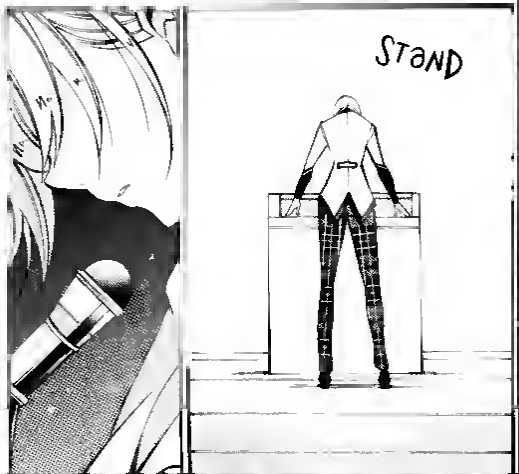
-Mizuoyi-


... Hence,
I hope all of the students within the Academy will grow to be more diligent with their studies.
And continue having a happy Academy life.
Morning Assembly



The message of the School Council President...

Haa...
...UMM, INABA-KUN ...?
PLEASE BE QUICK OR ELSE THERE WON'T BE ENOUGH TIME...
GO SAY SOME-THING!
THE WHITE RABBIT IS SIGHING!
SIGHING !?
CHATTER
THIS IS SCARY!
IS SOMETHING BAD GOING TO HAPPEN TODAY!?
AFTER RECEIVING THE NEWS OF GRAND-FATHER'S DEATH,
MY TWIN LITTLE BROTHER, KOKUTO, FAINTED...
INABA-KUUUUN!!!

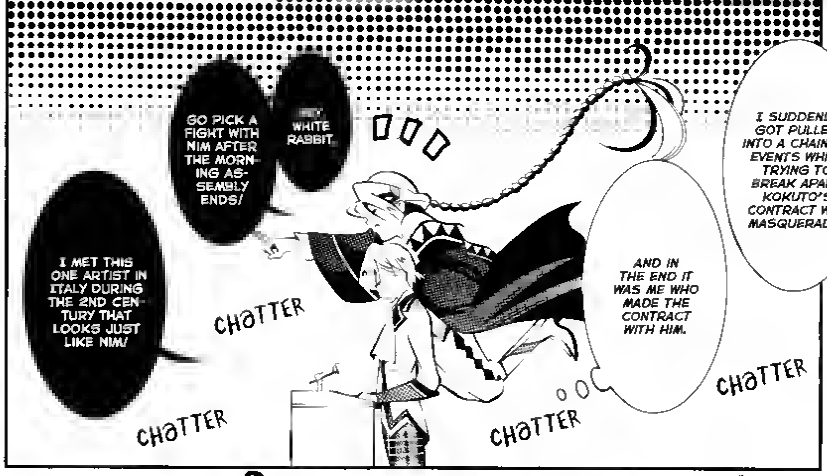
A WEEK LATER
EVEN THOUGH GRANDFATHER'S FUNERAL IS OVER,
KOKUTO STILL REMAINED UNCONSCIOUS.
LOST, IN HIS UNWAKEABLE SLUMBER,
.....

SO THIS IS THE SO-CALLED ACADEMY,
THAT WAS SO TREASURED BY THAT GUY...
OOH!!
SEEMS LIKE THERE'S A LOT OF PEOPLE GATHERED HERE TODAY IN THE MORNING ASSEMBLY!
IT'S FULL OF TASTELESS FACES!
NYOHOHO
THE FAULT OF ALL THIS IT'S 100% HIS.
WELL THEN... WHO DO YOU THINK LOOKS THE MOST INTERESTING?

JUST LIKE GRANDFATHER'S UNEXPLAINABLE COMA BEFORE.

AND WITHIN HIS THIRD WILL, HE LEFT A 'MASK' FOR ME.

ALTHOUGH EVERYONE (INCLUDING ME) WAS CONFUSED AT THE BEGINNING, I HAVE NO DOUBT THAT...


I SUDDENLY GOT PULLED INTO A CHAIN OF EVENTS WHILE TRYING TO BREAK APART KOKUTO'S CONTRACT WITH MASQUERADE.
AND IN THE END IT WAS ME WHO MADE THE CONTRACT WITH HIM.
HEY, WHITE RABBIT.
GO PICK A FIGHT WITH NIM AFTER THE MORNING ASSEMBLY ENDS!
I MET THIS ONE ARTIST IN ITALY DURING THE 2ND CENTURY THAT LOOKS JUST LIKE NIM!
CHATTER
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As you all well know, my grandfather was the chairman of the Academy.
Ahem-- Excuse me.
Good morning everyone!

LET ME SNOW YOU THEN.
HONESTLY... YOU LEAVE ME WITH NO CHOICE
MY KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE
YOU SHOULD ALSO KNOW THAT BESIDES YOU NO ONE ELSE CAN SEE ME?
... DO YOU ACCEPT MY EXISTENCE NOW?
HMM?
I have some heart-breaking news to share with everyone today...

IT'S SHOW TIME!

THE COLOR, THE SHAPE. BUT EVERYONE LOOKS SO SIMILAR, DON'T THEY?
THROUGH THEIR FACES YOU CAN SEE THINGS, SUCH AS LIES, SUSPICION, SECRETS, AND MANY MORE INSINCERE THINGS.
YOU CAN SEE IT CLEARLY RIGHT?
BY LOOKING THROUGH THE MASK, YOU CAN SEE THE REFLECTIONS OF PEOPLE'S HEART.
THIS GUY...
AND THEY CAN SLOWLY TURN JUST LIKE YOUR GRANDFA-THER.... OR YOUR DEAR [illegible]OTHER...
HE CHANGED EVERYONE'S FACES JUST TO SEE MY REACTION ...!
SHOCK

YOU
MONSTER ...!!
OH MY!
SO YOU'VE FINALLY ACCEPTED MY EXISTENCE!
STILL

..ENOUGH.
IF THIS CONTINUES, YOU'D ONLY BE WASTING MY PRECIOUS TIME.
HOW TERRIBLE...
THIS IS MY FIRST TIME SKIPPING CLASSES...
HOW BORING, WHAT IS SO BAD ABOUT SKIPPING CLASSES?
WHAT IS SO FUN ABOUT GOING TO THE SAME CLASSES IN THE SAME CLASSROOMS WITH THE SAME EXPRESSIONS?
?
WHY DON'T YOU TELL ME
HOW TO WAKE KOKUTO!
I AM DEFINITELY SURE OF THIS.
100% SURE.
DO YOU HONESTLY THINK I WOULD TELL YOU SO EASILY?
YOU'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR A WAY SO THAT I WOULD ACCEPT YOU,

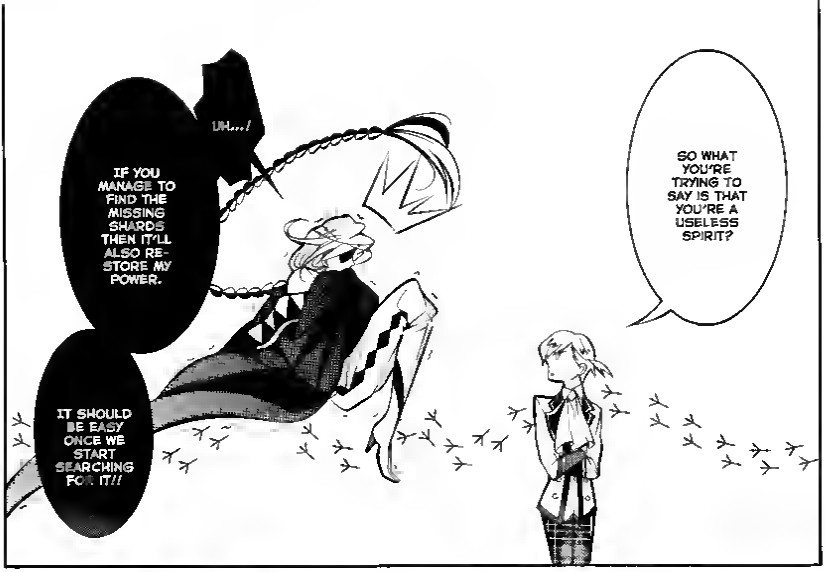
AND I WOULD BELIEVE IN YOUR EXISTENCE.
AS IF YOU ARE OBSERVING THE BEHAVIOR OF AN OBJECT!
YOUR ATTITUDE TOWARDS ME
AS WELL AS ONE OTHER THING I'D LIKE TO DISCUSS WITH YOU...
NO MATTER WHAT YOU NEGOTIATE
IT SHOULD BE BENEFICIAL FOR THE BOTH OF US..
AND MOST IMPORTANTLY,
I WILL NEVER FAIL TO LIVE UP TO THE EXPECTATIONS OF OTHERS!!

FIRST, LET US TALK ABOUT THE AWAKENING OF THE BLACK RABBIT.
FINE, I'LL JUST TELL YOU STRAIGHT-FORWARDLY.
...YOU ARE MUCH MORE STUPID THAN THE BLACK RABBIT.
I FEEL SO INSECURE...
TELL ME WHAT YOU WANT, QUICKLY!
Sobbing
THERE IS ONLY ONE WAY TO HELP HIM.
YOU'LL NEED TO FIND THE BROKEN HALF OF THE MASK AND FIX IT.
AS TO WHY HE IS IN COMA,
IT'S BECAUSE HE DEPENDED TOO MUCH ON THE MASK.

THE MASK CAN CHANGE, AS WELL AS CONCEAL ONE'S PERSONALITY.
THE BLACK RABBIT HAS RELIED ON TOO MUCH OF THE MASK'S POWER.
AND SO WHEN HE IS SUDDENLY SEPARATED FROM THE MASK, HE LOSES HIS ENTIRE 「SELF」.

KOKUTO...
UP TO THAT EXTENT, WHY...
BUT EVEN IF YOU RESTORED THE MASK,
THE BLACK RABBIT WOULD NOT BE LIKE WHAT HE WAS BEFORE.
YOU CAN ONLY RESTORE HIM BACK TO THE LAST TIME YOU MET HIM.
AND ALL ELSE DEPENDS ON YOU.
... I GET IT.
THE WAY I LOOK AT IT,
WHY WOULD YOU HELP ME WITHOUT WANTING ANYTHING IN RETURN!
ズン!!
HEHE, WHAT DO YOU THINK IS THE CONCLUSION OF OUR CONTRACT...?
BUT WHAT ABOUT YOU? WHAT DO YOU WANT?
SO LONG AS I MANAGE TO FIX THE MASK THEN THE KOKUTO WILL AWAKEN. MY SIDE OF THE NEGOTIATION IS FULFILLED.
YOU SHOULD HAVE
UNDERSTOOD MY WISH.

ONE MORE QUESTION
HOW EXACTLY DID THE MASK BREAK?
HAS IT HAPPENED BEFORE?
NO,
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME.
NEVER BEFORE?!
ALTHOUGH IT WAS COMMON FOR HALF THE MASK TO REVEAL PEOPLE,
BUT IT HAS NEVER BROKEN APART BEFORE.
THIS IS ALSO THE FIRST TIME FEELING SUCH THING
IT'S AS IF I LOST HALF MY BODY, HALF MY POWER.
I'M AFRAID MY POWER HAS DISPERSED INTO MANY TINY SHARDS
TO FIND THEM AND COLLECT THEM ALTOGETHER WOULD BE A VERY DAUNTING TASK...

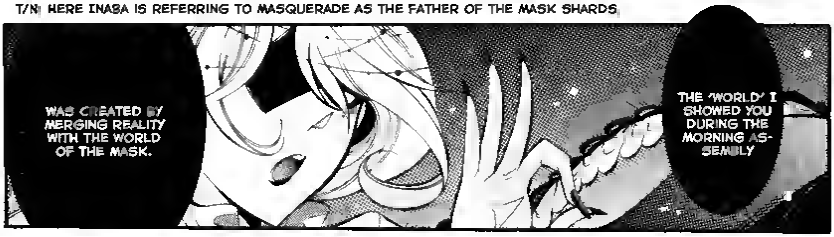

SO WHAT YOU'RE TRYING TO SAY IS THAT YOU'RE A USELESS SPIRIT?
UH...!
IF YOU MANAGE TO FIND THE MISSING SHARDS THEN IT'LL ALSO RESTORE MY POWER.
IT SHOULD BE EASY ONCE WE START SEARCHING FOR IT!!

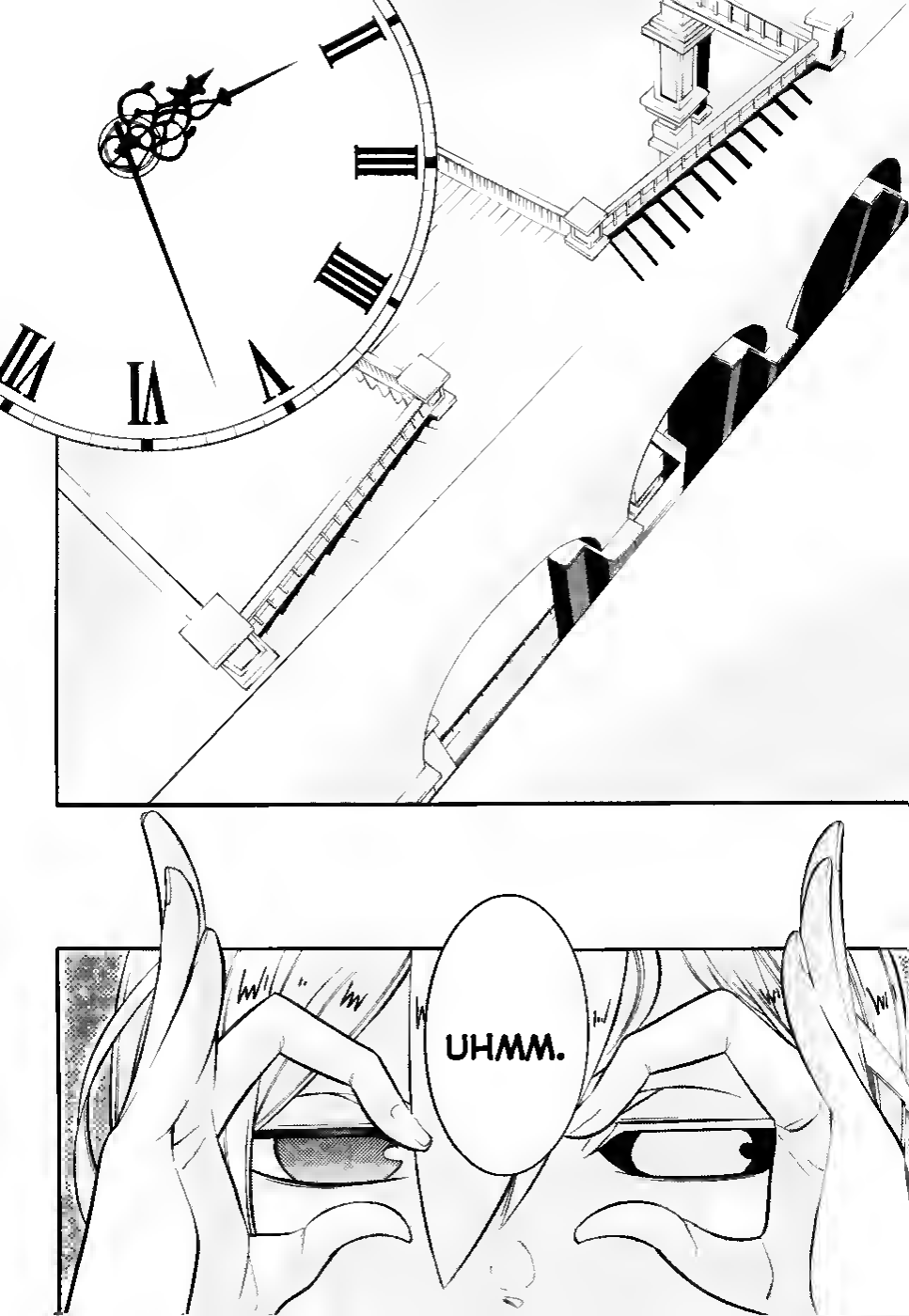
I AM ME, AND THE BROKEN SHARDS ARE BROKEN SHARDS.
I'M SURE THEY HAVE GOTTEN A NEW HOST BY NOW!

BUT,
HOW EXACTLY DO WE LOOK FOR THE PIECES OF THE MASK?
IT'S ALREADY BEEN A WHILE, AND ANY REMAINTS WOULD BE IN THE TRASH, I'M AFRAID...
DON'T MISTAKE THE MASK'S BROKEN PIECES.

SIGH...
MEANING TO SAY THE SHARDS ARE SOMEWHERE WITHIN A BODY IN THIS ACADEMY?
SO IT'S LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON...*
CORRECT. AND SINCE YOU'VE MADE A CONTRACT WITH ME, YOU CAN SEE THE SHARDS.

T/N: HERE INASA IS REFERRING TO MASQUERADE AS THE FATHER OF THE MASK SHARDS.




UHMM.

I CAN'T FIND ANY!
Hurry up to declare!
Confessionary
DON'T THINK TOO MUCH AND YOUR YOUR HEART OUT!
You won't be punished!
ALTHOUGH I'VE TRIED HARD TO LOOK AROUND,
CHATTER
EVERYONE LOOKS LIKE THEY'RE WEARING A MASK.
LOOKS JUST LIKE THE MASKS DURING THE MORNING ASSEMBLY.
...KOKUTO'S MASK MUST'VE ALSO GRADUALLY CHANGED
DID IT CHANGE FROM THE BEGINNING...?
OR DID IT ONLY CHANGE RECENTLY...?
AND I COULD NO SENSE ANY DIFFERENCE
MAYBE I SHOULD CHECK OUT THE ABSENT LIST...
BLACK LIST

THERE
MAY BE
I AM LOOKING
FOR A MISSING
ITEM IN PIECES

DOUBTERS
BECAUSE OF
PRUDENCE

I'VE SKIPPED CLASS TODAY...
DID YOU FIND ANY SHARD?
NO, NOT YET...
BUT
I THINK I FOUND IT
I CANNOT SIT AND WATCH...

HEY, COME BACK HERE!
DON'T RUN AWAY!
YOUR NOSE IS BLEED-ING!!
SHOT!
DUNK...

AH!
WELL, THAT'S ENOUGH-
-COLLAPSE
AH...
I TOLD YOU,
IT'S VERY ANNOYING.
HEY, CLEAN UP THE MESS,
RAT!

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-Homer J. Simpson.

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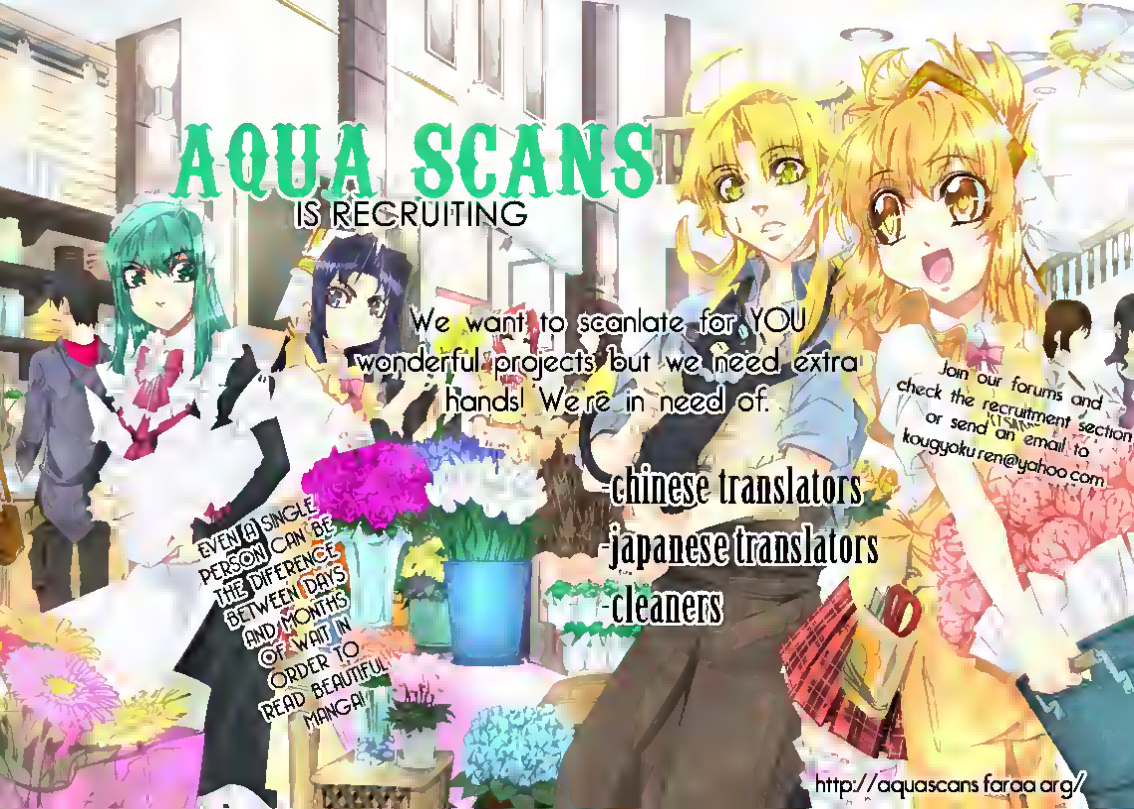
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